

(A) IN ANY COUNTY WHERE ANY DOG, CAT OR OTHER WARM-BLOODED ANIMAL SUBJECT TO RABIES HAS BITTEN, SCRATCHED, OR EXPOSED ANY PERSON TO A POSSIBLE RABIES INFECTION, OR WHEN ANY ANIMAL IS SUSPECTED OF HAVING RABIES, IT IS THE DUTY OF ANY PERSON HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF THESE FACTS TO REPORT THEM IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON TO THE LOCAL POLICE OR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. UPON RECEIPT OF THIS REPORT, THE POLICE OR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL SHALL NOTIFY THE LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE AND SHALL ENFORCE ALL ORDERS OF THE LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBTITLE OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE RABIES CONTROL REGULATIONS.

(B) ALL TESTING, QUARANTINE AND OTHER NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE RABIES CONTROL PROCEDURES APPROPRIATE TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE AND SAFETY SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY.

(C) ANY PERSON REFUSING OR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION OR WITH THE ORDERS OR DIRECTIVES OF THE COUNTY OR CITY HEALTH OFFICER OR THE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN RELATING THERETO, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500 FOR EACH OFFENSE.

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(A) EVERY PERSON OWNING OR KEEPING A DOG OVER FOUR MONTHS OF AGE IN THE STATE SHALL CAUSE THAT DOG TO BE VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES. ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 1975, AND ON OR BEFORE JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, EVERY PERSON OWNING OR KEEPING A DOG IN THE STATE SHALL PRESENT TO THE COUNTY AGENCY WITH WHICH THE DOG IS REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED OR LICENSED, PROOF ACCEPTABLE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN THAT THE DOG HAS BEEN ADEQUATELY VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES. NO COUNTY MAY REGISTER OR LICENSE ANY DOG [[OR ANY DOG KENNEL]] WITHOUT THIS PROOF OF VACCINATION.

(B) EVERY LICENSED VETERINARIAN WHO VACCINATES A DOG OR CAT AGAINST RABIES SHALL ISSUE A VACCINATION CERTIFICATE TO ITS OWNER [[AND, WITHIN SEVEN DAYS THEREOF, SHALL FORWARD A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN]]. INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RABIES VACCINATION RECORDS SHALL NOT BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF LICENSING ANIMALS, OR FOR TAXATION OF INDIVIDUALS FOR OWNING ANIMALS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A STANDARD VACCINATION CERTIFICATE FOR THIS PURPOSE AND SHALL PROVIDE THE SAME FREE OF CHARGE TO LICENSED VETERINARIANS FOR THEIR USE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, EACH LICENSED VETERINARIAN MAY SELECT A VACCINE OF HIS CHOICE AND USE SUCH PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTERING IT AS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE